HCS HB 850 -- BRING JOBS HOME ACT

SPONSOR: McCaherty

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Committee on International Trade by a vote of 8 to 0.

This substitute establishes the Bring Jobs Home Act and authorizes a tax deduction of up to 20% of the eligible expenses associated with eliminating a business located outside of the state and reestablishing it in Missouri. The elimination may occur in a year other than the year the relocation occurs, and the expenses must be under an insourcing plan. To be eligible for the tax deduction, the number of full-time employees in Missouri for the year the deduction is claimed must exceed the number of full-time employees for the year preceding the year in which the eligible insourcing expenses were paid or incurred.

Eligible insourcing expenses must be taken into account during the taxable year that the plan has been completed and all eligible insourcing expenses have been paid or incurred or, if the taxpayer chooses, the first taxable year after the taxable year the expenses have been paid or incurred.

A deduction will not be allowed for any expenses incurred when dissolving a business in Missouri and relocating it to another state.

The provisions of the substitute will expire six years after the effective date.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill will provide one more tool to encourage businesses to return to this state.

Testifying for the bill were Representatives McCaherty and May.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.